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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

ATSN-CBC

14 July 2005

MEMORANDUM FOR Personnel Concerned

SUBJECT: Training Under Cold Weather Conditions

1. PURPOSE: To provide basic guidance for safe training during cold weather conditions.
2. POLICY: It is the intent of this battalion to fully train permanent party, Advanced Individual Training (AIT), and Additional Skill Identifier (ASI) H7 soldiers without causing physical injury, due to adverse cold weather conditions. Provisions of this memorandum serve as minimum requirements, and are not a substitute for basic common sense and judgment as required by a situation. This memorandum supersedes all previous memorandums on this subject.
3. RESPONSIBILITIES:
 - a. S-3:
 - (1) Monitor temperature category and notify companies, MTOC, Truckmaster, Maintenance and the command group of any category changes.
 - (2) Disseminate severe weather warnings.
 - (3) Be the point of contact for the battalion on training deviations due to weather conditions.
 - (4) Notify the Battalion Command group of any cold weather injuries.
 - (5) Forward record of injuries to brigade.
 - b. Units:
 - (1) Ensure students and cadre have the proper uniform and equipment prior to departure from the unit area.

(2) Identify all personnel who have had a prior cold weather injury. Soldiers will be marked by affixing white tape to the individuals earplug case, right shoulder epaulet and upper right strap of LBE and ruck sack. Inspect soldiers daily to ensure marking is intact.

(3) Monitor soldiers during training for symptoms of cold weather injuries.

(4) Ensure all cadre members receive cold weather training IAW FLW Reg 350-8 NLT 15 October or as soon after arrival as possible.

(5) Review FLW Form 1381 (Risk Factor Inprocessing Worksheet for newly assigned personnel.

(6) All AIT soldiers assigned to 58th Transportation Battalion between 15 October and 31 March will receive training on the prevention of cold weather injuries and first aid for cold weather injuries.

(7) Emphasize buddy system and instruct students to immediately report any soldiers exhibiting symptoms of cold weather injuries to cadre personnel.

(8) Ensure student accountability is correct when taking students to and from course(s).

(9) All students will carry a pair of dry socks during all range and field training.

(10) At the conclusion of EXODUS, conduct cold weather refresher training for all permanent party, AIT and ASI soldiers. Training will be completed and a memorandum forwarded to S-3 NLT 15 January.

c. MTOC:

(1) Ensure branches are notified of weather category changes and warnings.

(2) Maintain student accountability throughout the training day.

(3) Immediately notify battalion S-3 of any weather related training deviations.

(4) Immediately contact battalion S-3 of any weather related injuries.

(5) Frequently check personnel who have prior cold weather injuries.

(6) Ensure students and cadre are in the proper uniform for current weather conditions.

(7) Ensure adequate warm-up facilities are available at all locations where outdoor training is conducted.

(8) Develop and rehearse plans for inclement weather training.

d. General:

(1) Course chiefs will determine the appropriate uniform for students and instructors. Instructors and students will be in the same uniform (gortex may be substituted for field jacket or wet weather parka).

(2) All permanent party personnel assigned to 58th Transportation Battalion will:

(a) Be familiar with the prevention, symptoms and treatment of cold weather injuries.

(b) Carry FLW TC 20-2122.

(c) Receive cold weather training NLT 15 October of each year or as soon as possible for new arrivals.

(3) In the event of a cold weather injury, take appropriate medical action, then notify Battalion S-3 (6-0792), and the company to which the soldier is assigned.

(4) Personnel who become cold weather casualties will be evacuated to the closest medical facility by the fastest means available.

(5) Courses/units may deviate (not cancel) training to comply with FLW TC 20-2122, if they believe an unsafe training condition exists. Training deviations will be forwarded through MTOC, to the company affected, to Battalion S-3, to the command group, then up the chain to the appropriate office.

(6) Only the battalion commander or his designated representative may cancel training.

Robert T. Hixon
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